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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 3671 PATENT APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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In response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2004, along with a Petition for Extension of Time and appropriate fee, reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-26 are pending in the application. Of these claims, claims 1 and 14 are independent. Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims define patentable subject matter.

Claims 1-4, 9-17 and 22-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Shinohara (JP 5-214843). Claims 5-8 and 18-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shinohara in view of Toschi (EP 819 661). Applicant respectfully submits